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# Your Guide to Farm Fresh Tours, Markets & More!

Greetings, Kim!

We have such a treasure in our Prince George's County farmers markets. If you haven't shopped at one of our local markets yet, please consider doing so. **Shopping at your local farmers market is good for a variety of reasons** including supporting your local farmer, preserving local farmland, stimulating the local economy, increasing access to fresh, nutritious foods, and promoting sustainability.

Can you commit to supporting at least one local market during <u>National Farmers Market</u> <u>Week</u> (Aug 5 -11)? Thank you! Please post pictures of your purchases at a Prince George's County farmers market and tag <u>@farmpgc</u> and <u>@fmc.org</u> and use the #farmersmarketweek, "lovemymarket, and #farmpgc hashtags.

Last but not least, remember to join our <u>Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC Farms & Food Community</u> on Facebook as well as other other social media accounts to stay up to date on the latest news and events AND share what you know with us. It's also a great place to share your experiences at our local farms and farmers markets. Invite your friends to the party, too!

Think FRESH. Eat LOCAL. Have FUN!

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P.S. Enjoy a few of our favorite 'Grammable' moments from our local farms and farmers markets sprinkled throughout this newsletter!

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### Fresh Farm & Local Food Events



#### Weekend Wine Tastings!

Gemeny Winery (Fri, 4-8pm, Sat & Sun, 10am - 6pm)

Janemark Winery (Sat, 11 - 6pm, Fri & Sun by appt.)

Robin Hill Farm (Sat, 11am - 5pm)

Romano Winery (Fri, 1 - 6pm & Sat, 12 - 6pm)

Forested Tours (August - November)

Come out and explore the food forest of Forested Creative Ecology!

Summer Wine Happy Hour Fridays with Gemeny (August -

September)

Join us every Friday in July, August and September from 4pm - 8pm for wine and music!

#### **ECO City Farms Open Volunteer Hours** (August)

Come one, come all and get your hands dirty and help us run our farms every first through fourth Saturday of the month!

#### Theater in the Woods: The Guys (August)

Experience an evening of theater, heroics, and more at the Alice Ferguson Foundation.

#### **Urban Farmer Field Schools** (August - October)

Looking to further develop your agricultural enterprises? Check out this UME workshop series!

#### Yoga at the Farm (August 8 & 22)

Unwind from your day with relaxation and yoga!

Frank Sinatra Show at Robin Hill (August 10)

Come out and enjoy the music of Frank Sinatra at Robin Hill!

<u>Music in the Vineyard & Food Truck Friday</u> (August 10,24) Join Romano's every 2nd and 4th Friday for food trucks, music and wine.

#### Sip & Paint Slate (August 11)

Enjoy an evening of wine and painting at Romano's!



Farm Story & a Craft (August 15) Spend the morning at Old Maryland Farm for story and craft time!



<u>Butterflies & Monarch Way Station Workshop</u> (August 16) Looking to learn more about butterflies? Check out this workshop at Old Maryland Farm!

#### **Dog's Night Out** (August 17)

Join The Accokeek Foundation for a night of furry friends and fun!!

#### Volunteering in the Garden with the Alice Ferguson Foundation (August 18)

Enjoy the great outdoors and the beauty of nature? Come on out and help Hard Bargain Farm.

#### **Growing Fruit Trees in Your Landscape** (August 18)

Thinking about growing your own fruit tree(s) and don't know where to begin? Check out this workshop at Behnke's Nurseries for more information!

<u>Montpelier Farms Summer Season</u> (through August 18) Join Montpelier Farms for an action packed summer farm experience with the whole family!

#### Music in the Winery at Robin Hill (August 18)

Spend an afternoon relaxing in nature with friends and wine and music!

#### **Dine & Learn Cooking Classes** (August 22)

Come out and learn new skills, and try new things with this FREE program!

#### Maryland State Fair (August 23)

Enjoy exhibits, events, food and more with new friends from across the state!



#### Brewer's Assoc. of Maryland REVIVE! Divine Beer + Divine Food Pairing Event (August 25)

Celebrate award winning Maryland craft beer, paired with amazing chefs and their dishes from around the state! Prince George's County's Calvert Brewing Company will be there pouring.



Your adventure begins with a cheese and wine pairing, where Romano's finest wines will be paired with P.A. Bowen Farmstead's award-winning raw milk artisan cheeses before visiting another Legacy Wine Trail destination.

<u>Yoga & Crystals</u> (August 28 & 29) Relax and unwind from your day with yoga at Tripple Springs Farm!

<u>Intuition Development Masterclass</u> (September 1) Explore a path to you with this enlightening workshop at P.A. Bowen Farmstead!

<u>Concert in the Woods - Broadway in the Backwoods Cabaret</u> (September 2) Enjoy an evening of music, laughter, theater, and more at Alice Ferguson Foundation.

<u>Prince George's County Fair 2018</u> (September 6 - 9)
Join us at the County Fair for rides, food, entertainment, competitions, and More!

<u>Concert in the Woods - The 8 Ohms Band</u> (September 8) Enjoy music in nature with The 8 Ohms Band at the Alice Ferguson Foundation.

**View Local Events** 

# Support Your Local Farmers Markets



<u>Visit our website for details</u> or check out our <u>2018</u> <u>Farmers Market Guide</u>, available for download or at your local community center, Extension office, or farmers market.

#### **Bowie Farmers Market**

Sundays, May 20 - October 28 <u>Corn Roast</u> (Aug 12)

#### **Cheverly Community Market**

Alternate Saturdays, June 2 - October 28

<u>Sip Local</u> (Sept 15)

<u>Story Time at the Market</u>

<u>Yoga at the Market</u>

#### College Park Farmers Market Saturdays, May 5 - November 17

**Downtown College Park Farmers Market** Sundays, April - November

#### **Glen Dale Farmers Market**

Saturdays, April 28 - November 17

#### **Greenbelt Farmers Market**

Sundays, May 13 - November 18

#### **Hollywood Farmers Market**

Saturdays, April 21 - November 17

#### **Hyattsville Micro Farmers Market**

Every 3rd Friday, May 18 - September 21

#### Laurel Farmers Market & Bazaar

Thursdays, June 7 - October 25



#### **Medstar Southern Maryland Hospital Center Farmers Market**

Wednesdays, June 6 - September 26



#### Thursdays, June 7 - October 18

#### **Oakcrest Farmers Market**

Fridays, July 6 - September 7

<u>Bean to Bar Chocolate Making Workshop</u> (Aug 31)

#### **Our Local Bounty St. Thomas Farmers Market**

Saturdays, June 9 - September 29
Summer Spirit Program

#### **Riverdale Park Farmers Market**

Thursdays, January - December

#### The Farmers Market at Maryland

Wednesdays, April 4 - November 14

**USDA (Beltsville) Farmers Market** 

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### What's Fun on the Menu?

### Robin Hill Wins at the Indy International Wine Competition

Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards took home the Silver Medal for their 'Legacy' and the Bronze Medal for their 'Pi'Goat Blanc'.

#### **Edible DC Features Prince George's County**

In the latest issue of Edible DC Summer 2018, you will find recipes, restaurants, and more. You will also find feature articles



about local winery Robin Hill Farm & Vineyards, as well as a feature about the NEW Culinary Arts Center at Prince George's County Community College.

#### **Cattle Farm Introduces Students to Agriculture**

Several thousand students come each year to Hard Bargain Farm, tucked on a hill on a southern bank of the Potomac River in Prince George's County. The 330-acre farm is part of sizable historic estate, now owned and operated by the Alice Ferguson Foundation, a nonprofit founded in 1954 to promote environmental sustainability within the Potomac River watershed.

#### **Meet Route 1s First Little Free Food Pantry**

Hyattsville Girl Scouts

from Troop 6899 have built the area's first "little free food pantry" to help those dealing with food insecurity. Located near St. Jerome Catholic Church and Hyattsville Elementary, the "Blessing Box" is filled with canned goods, pasta and other non-perishables.

#### **Clagett Farm Looking for Temporary Field Help**

Two of our staff on the vegetable operation are about to be new parents. To give them a chance to enjoy this new life, we're looking for a some extra help.

## New College Level Agriculture Course Offered for Southern Maryland

The Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission

(SMADC) is excited to announce a new college agriculture class for the Southern Maryland region. Through a partnership with the University of Maryland's Institute of Applied Agriculture (IAA) and SMADC, the Agricultural Marketing course will be available for the Fall 2018 semester, online and through four in-person classes to be held at SMADC, located in Hughesville, Maryland.



# Prince George's County Council Approves Members Appointed to Serve on the Agricultural Resource Advisory Committee

Did you know that Prince George's County has an Agriculture Resources Advisory Committee? This group was enacted to serve as a link between the farming community and local government. Join us in thanking and congratulating the members how have volunteered to serve!

#### **Oakcrest Farmers Market - Grand Opening**

The Food Justice Coalition of 20743 has brought a farmers

market to Capitol Heights! FJC is working to create a space where people from all backgrounds can not only shop, but also connect with their food and neighbors in a meaningful way. Check out their opening day video.

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The Prince George's County office, partially supported by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, serves the community from the main office in Clinton and the Center for Educational Partnership in Riverdale. For more information about Extension programming in Prince George's County, <u>visit our website</u>.

<u>Fresh. Local. Fun. PGC</u>, a program of the UMD Extension, Prince George's County, invites you to engage with our diverse farming and local food community. Our mission is to promote agricultural economic development and healthy food access in Prince George's County by connecting residents, agricultural producers, farmers markets, food retailers, restaurateurs, and county agencies.

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